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Re: Application of Hans-Juergen ROSTALSKI, Alexander EPPLE, Aurelian DODOC, Johannes WANGLER, Karl-Heinz SCHUSTER, Joerg SCHULTZ, Franz-Josef STICKEL, Wolfgang SINGER and Joachim WIETZORREK LITHOGRAPHY LENS SYSTEM AND PROJECTION EXPOSURE SYSTEM PROVIDED WITH AT LEAST ONE LITHOGRAPHY LENS SYSTEM OF THIS TYPE

Assignee: CARL ZEISS SMT AG
Our Ref: Q93721

Dear Sir:

The following documents are submitted herewith in connection with the above application for the purpose of entering the National stage under 35 U.S.C. §371 and in accordance with the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

- an English translation of the International Application.
- twelve (12) sheets of drawings.
- a copy of the ISR.

A copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney, and a copy of the Assignment will be submitted at a later date.

In addition to the documents submitted herewith, it is assumed that copies of the International Application, the International Search Report and cited references, the International Preliminary Examination Report, and any Articles 19 and 34 amendments as required by §371(c) will be supplied directly by the International Bureau, but if further copies are needed, the undersigned will undertake to provide them upon request.

It is expressly requested that the national stage of processing be commenced immediately in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 371(f).

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The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	31	-	20	=	11	x	\$50.00	=	\$550.00
Independent claims	3	-	3	=		x	\$200.0	=	\$0.00
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Base Fee									\$300.00
Search Fee*									\$400.00
Examination Fee*									\$200.00
TOTAL FEE									\$1810.00

* The international search fee for all claims was not paid to the USPTO, as the ISA, but the ISR is being submitted herewith.

Checks for the statutory filing, examination and search fees totaling \$900.00 are attached. **The requisite Excess Claim Fee will be submitted at a later date and following the filing of an upcoming Preliminary Amendment.** The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Excess Claim Fee, the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Germany	103 41 986.1	September 9, 2003

It is assumed that a copy of the priority document will be supplied directly by the International Bureau, but if further copies are needed, the undersigned will undertake to provide them upon request.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "GFL".

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